

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A food composition comprising a dry mix for production of a bakery product having an extended yeast-free and mold-free shelf life of at least 21 days. The dry mix comprising about 0.01% to about 1.0% of an encapsulated acid such as citric, fumaric, lactic, malic, phosphoric, sodium acid sulfate and mixtures thereof. A method of preparing bakery products having a shelf life enhancing composition are also described.